

Bear Resources for Teachers and Students

Bears. Helen Gilks and Andrew Bale, 1993. Ticknor & Fields, New York. A clear, concise text and beautifully detailed full-color illustrations make this an inviting and informative introduction to how the eight species of bear live, and to the complex relationships between bears and people. Grade 4 and up.

Sierra Club Wildlife Library: Bears. Ian Stirling, 1992. Sierra Club Books for Children, San Francisco. Young readers are introduced to the eight species of bears: their origins and evolution, where they live, what they eat, how they rear their young, and how they communicate. The book also looks at how humans affect bears' natural habitats and how scientists study these magnificent creatures to understand them and help provide for their survival. NSTA/CBC Outstanding Science Trade Book for Children. Grade 4 and up.

Bears: Their Life and Behavior. Photographs by Art Wolfe, text by William Ashworth, 1992. Crown Publishers, Inc., New York. A photographic study of the North American species of bears in their natural habitats.

Looking at Bears. Dorothy Hinshaw Patent, 1994. Holiday House, New York. Simple explanations of bear natural history. Grades 4 and up.

Zoobooks: Bears. John Bonnett Wexo, 1987. Wildlife Education, Ltd., San Diego. Descriptions, illustrations, and range maps. Grade 4 and up.

The Great Bear Almanac. Gary Brown, 1993. Lyons & Birford, Publishers, NY. With chapters on bear anatomy and physiology, behavior, and the conflicts that arise when humans meet bears, this captivating almanac collects virtually all that is known about the world's eight species. Coupling an easily accessible voice with a wealth of charts, statistics, illustrations, and photographs, author Gary Brown has created the factual compendium of bear knowledge, sure to satisfy the amateur naturalist and the bear specialist alike. Brown was Chief Ranger at Yellowstone, Denali, and Rocky Mountain National Parks, and Bear Management Specialist at Yellowstone.

Student Reading

The following fiction, non-fiction, picture books, and chapter books may contain realistic interpretations of life histories, bear/human interactions, and behaviors of black bears.

Ahlstrom, M., 1985. *The Black Bear*, Crestwood House, Mankato, MN.

Alborough, J., 1995. *It's The Bear*. Candlewick Press, Boston.

Bailey, B., 1975. *Wonders of the World of Bears*. Dodd, Mead, New York.

Brenner, B. and Garelick, M., 1989. *Two Orphan Cubs*. Walker, New York.

Bullaty, S. and Lomeo, A., 1983. *The Baby Bears*. Golden Press, New York.

Charman, A., 1983. *The Book of Bears*. Gallery Books, New York.

Crewe, S. and Morton, R., 1997. *The Bear*, Raintree Steck-Vaughn, Austin.

Eberle, I., 1966. *Bears Live Here*. Doubleday, New York.

Fair, J., 1991. *Black Bears: Black Bear Magic for Kids*. Gareth Stevens Children's Books, Milwaukee.

Ford, B., 1981. *Black Bear: The Spirit of the Wilderness*. Houghton Mifflin, Boston.

Freschet, B., 1977. *Little Black Bear Baby*. Putnam, New York.

George, J.C., 1967. *The Moon of the Bears*. Thomas Y. Crowell, New York, NY.

Helmer, D.S., 1997. *Black Bears*. The Rosen Publishing Groups' Power Kids Press, New York.

Karpfinger, B. et al, 1992. *The Wonder of Black Bears*. Gareth Stevens Publishing, Milwaukee.

Kratt, M. and Kratt, C., 1997. *Kratt's Creatures: Where're the Bears?* Scholastic, New York.

Laycock, G., 1967. *Big Nick: The Story of a Remarkable Black Bear*. Norton, New York.

Liers, E., 1962. *A Black Bear's Story*. Viking, New York.

McCloskey, R., 1948. *Blueberries for Sal*. Viking Penguin, New York.

McClung, R.M., 1956. *Major, The Story of a Black Bear*. W. Morrow, New York.

Murphy, J. and Greene, J., 1993. *Backyard Bear*. Scholastic, Inc., New York.

Pfeffer, P., 1985. *Bears, Big and Little*. Young Discovery Library, New York.

Pringle, L., 1989. *Bearman: Exploring the World of Black Bears*. Scribner, New York.

Shepard, P. and Sanders, B., 1985. *The Sacred Paw*. Viking Press, New York.

Van Wormer, J., 1974. *The Black Bear Book*. Caxton Printers, Caldwell, ID.

Ward, L., 1952. *The Biggest Bear*. Houghton Mifflin, Boston.

Whitehead, R., 1966. *The First Book of Bears*. Franklin Watts, New York.